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INFORMATION ON THE SITUATION ON QL-21 IN KHANH  
HOA (P) AND DARLAC (P). IT ALSO INCLUDES THE FRIENDLY FORCES  
ORDER OF BATTLE IN THE KHANH DUONG (D), KHANH HOA (P) AREA.

QL-21 REMAINS CLOSED TO TRAFFIC WITH BRIDGE #30 (VIC BP 4516) AND  
BRIDGE #31 (VIC BQ 419166) CUT. BRIDGE #25 (VIC BQ 522123) WAS  
REPAIRED ON 06 MAR 75 AND IS AGAIN UNDER FRIENDLY CONTROL. THE

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ENEMY CURRENTLY CONTROLS THE HIGH GROUND AROUND BRIDGES #30 AND

#31 AND HILL 519 AND RVNAF FORCES ANTICIPATE HAVING A HARD TIME IN CLEARING THEM OUT. NO ESTIMATE CAN BE MADE AS TO WHEN QL-21 WILL BE OPEN AGAIN.

OFFICERS IN THE CORPS G-2 BELIEVE THE ENEMY FORCES TO BE COMPOSED OF ELEMENTS OF THE 25TH NVA REGT (WITH POSSIBLY THE WHOLE REGT IN THE AREA) AND AT LEAST ONE (01) ARTILLERY ELEMENTS (POSSIBLY FROM THE LAM DONG REGT). ENEMY ATTACKS IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO BE UP TO BN SIZE.

FRIENDLY FORCES IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN REINFORCED BY THE 2ND/19TH ARMOR CAV FROM BINH THUAN (P). THIS UNIT IS CURRENTLY LOCATED AT KHANH DUONG (D) HQS WITH THE 922ND RF GP. ON THE DARLAC (P) SIDE, QL-21 HAS BEEN QUIET. THERE ARE CURRENTLY TWO (02) RF BNS OPERATING ALONG QL-21 IN DARLAC (P) ACTING AS SECURITY FORCES. THERE IS NO INDICATIONS THAT ANY MORE FORCES FROM DARLAC (P) WILL BE SENT AS REINFORCEMENTS ON QL-21.

FRIENDLY FORCES ORDER OF BATTLE ON QL-21, KHANH HOA (P) AS OF 07 MAR 75

BRIDGE #25 (BQ 522123)  
-203RD ENGINEER COMPANY  
-U/I ARTILLERY PLT OF THE 257TH BN  
-U/I SQUAD FROM THE 4TH/246TH RF BN

BRIDGE #31 (BQ 419166)  
-U/I PLT OF THE 209TH RF BN  
-U/I PLT FROM THE 4TH/246TH RF BN

BRIDGE #32 (BQ 409165)  
-U/I SQUAD FROM THE 4TH/246TH RF BN

VIC BQ 465170  
-245TH RF BN IS MOVING TOWARD BRIDGE #25

BQ 849106  
-922ND RF GROUP  
-KHANH DUONG SUB-SECTOR TACTICAL HQS  
-THREEE (03) U/I PF PLTS  
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-2XARTY PLT OF THE 232ND ARTY BN

FROM BQ 458(95 TO 460156 TO BQ 050345  
-228TH RF BN

BQ 392164  
-2ND/269TH RF BN (-)  
-U/I PLT OF THE 4TH/246TH RF BN

BQ 472150

-246TH RF BN (-)

FROM BQ 444166 TO BQ 441162

-4TH/246TH RF BN (-)

BQ 444161

-U/I ASSAULT UNIT OF THE 207TH RF BN

MISC PLF PLATOONS

-BQ 595046 (91ST)

-BQ 635034 (86TH)

-BQ 567072 (30TH). SPEAR UNQTE

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